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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Joseph G. RADZIK )  
Application No.: 09/965,983 ) Group Art Unit: 3679  
Filed: 28 September 2001 ) Examiner: G. Collins  
For: FERROUS PIPE COUPLINGS AND )  
PRELUBRICATED COUPLING )  
GASKETS )

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 17, 2001, the period for response being extended through November 18, 2002 with a petition for a one-month extension of time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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02 FC:1251 110.00 CH

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1, 5, 10, and 13-16 as follow:

--1. (Amended) A lubricated ferrous pipe coupling gasket comprising:

a generally tubular, one-piece, elastomeric member with first and second axial open ends, the member being formed by a circumferential wall and at least a pair of circumferential flanges, each flange extending at least generally radially inwardly at a separate one of the first and second